

Salem United Methodist Church

1321 Salem Church Road
Irmo, South Carolina 29063
Established 1873



Eastertide Series: *A Living Hope*
Today's Message: *Like Living Stones*

May 7, 2023
The 5th Sunday of Easter

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*The color white is used today as a joyous and festive
representation of Easter.*

THE GATHERING AND WITNESS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

PRELUDE

*CHIMING OF THE HOUR and WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP 3177** *Here I Am to Worship*
Refrain: *Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am
to say that you're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether
worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

*And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.
(X4)*

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to say that you're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether
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WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER**

Come, people of God! Take refuge in the Lord, who listens when
we cry out,
**who rescues us when we call, and who leads and guides us
according to his unfailing love.**

You are our God; our lives are in your hands.

Let's worship God together! Amen.

Let us pray:

**Almighty God, you have built your Church on the foundation of
the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself being the
chief cornerstone. Join us together in unity of spirit by their
teaching, that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to
you: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

***HYMN 545** *The Church's One Foundation*

A TIME OF PRAYER

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY 95**

ANTHEM *Because He Lives*

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

INTRODUCTION TO THE LESSON

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Peter 2:2-10

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

We invite children of all ages to come forth for the children's moment.

***HYMN 701**

When We All Get to Heaven

PROCLAMATION

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INVITATION

CONFESSION AND PARDON

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SERVICE OF THE LAVABO

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us pray:

**Holy God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you
have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the
name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN OF RESPONSE 368**

My Hope Is Built

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*WE FOLLOW THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE AND DEPARTING

**Indicates that the congregation stands. If standing is uncomfortable,
please remain seated and continue with your participation. **Bold titles**
indicate congregation participation.*

A Welcome to our Guests!

*We are honored that you are worshipping with us. Please
complete the "red book" registration to record your presence.
Also, please introduce yourself to those around you and visit our
Welcome Center. We have a welcome gift for our first-time guests
in the welcome center. Please stop by the desk at the close of the
worship service. We hope you will return to join us again in
Worship!*

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Week of April 30, 2023

Needed each week to fund unified budget \$14,137.77

Unified budget received \$12,220.01

Needed to meet budget year to date (Inclg. bldg. fund) \$254,479.86

Unified budget received year to date (Inclg. bldg. fund) \$227,047.22

Attendance

Worship 142 Sunday School 78

On Line Viewing

130

To Date Total for Epworth Renovations \$7384

PLEASE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER:

Brookdale — Mary Skenes

Generations of Irmo — Carolyn Brower, Dot Corley

Harbison Shores — Mary Catherine Bickley Erskine

Lowman Home Rehab — Gwen Parnell, Anita Weed

NHC Northeast — Joyce Cook

Rice Estates Assisted Living — Barbara Rolin

Tyborne UCP — Jessica Gore

Special Prayers — Freddie Butler, Janice Catoe, Bob Davis,

Leroy Gibson, Inez Hyatt, Lee McMillan, Bill Rolin,

Barbara Thomas, Terry Waites

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Ushers:	Lead – Randy Hilliard Will Bowers Scott Butler Jim Lewis
Trustee:	Ryan Cole
Sound Booth:	Dustin Tanner
Acolyte:	Pierce Rhodes
Nursery:	Martina Thomas, Rachel McCrary
Communion Assistant:	Lou Holmes

Flower Ministry

The flowers which grace the Holy Altar today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Robert Lowman's 89th birthday on May 11th by Christine Lowman.

Our Christian Sympathy

We would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to Jim Davis and family on the death of his father, John G. Davis, Jr.

Salem United Women in Faith

The Executive Committee will meet in the Administration Building's conference room **immediately following the church worship service today.**

A Sesquicentennial Moment

As our Church begins to age, so does the rest of the country. Here are some fun facts for the early 1900s.



- In December 1903, The Wright Brothers take flight
- In October 1908, The Ford Motor Company invents the Model T
- In 1915, the word "teenager" was not yet in use.
- In 1915, the constitutional amendment granting American women the right to vote had not yet passed.
- In 1900, the average life expectancy for an American man was 48.3. The average life expectancy for a woman was 51.1.
- In 1913, the first dedicated gas station in the US opened in Pittsburgh. Before that, selling gas was a side business for various stores.
- In 1901, Connecticut passed a law that included the country's first speed limit: 15 mph on general roads and 12 mph within city limits.
- In 1915, a dozen eggs cost 34 cents; a gallon of milk cost 18 cents; and a pound of coffee cost 30 cents.

*Don't Forget Your Mothers or
Epworth Children's Home Next Sunday!*

Next Sunday is Mother's Day. Most of the children served by Epworth Children's Home will not be celebrating Mother's Day with their birth mothers. Your generous contribution to our church's ministry enables transformation to happen for the children who call Epworth home. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

OASIS

Join us for our cook out at Woodmen of the World on Tuesday, **May 16th at 11:30**. We will enjoy hamburgers and some fun activities. We are asking that everyone bring a side dish for this event. Please call and **RSVP by Thursday, May 11th** and be sure to indicate what side item you would like to bring to avoid duplicate items. It's our last gathering of the season before we break for the summer, so be sure to put it on your calendar and feel free to bring a friend!

Ladies Lunch Bunch

Ladies if you'd like to get together for fellowship time over lunch, meet us on Monday, **May 22 at 11:30 at Higher Ground.**

Higher Ground is located at 211 Chapin Road, Chapin.

Youth Lunch Fundraiser

The Youth are inviting everyone to join them for lunch immediately following the 10:30am Worship Service on **Sunday, May 21**. This will be a fundraiser lunch to assist with the cost of the Leadership Conference Trip in July. The lunch will be Spaghetti, Garlic Bread and Salad. There will also be some sweet goodies for dessert. This is a donation only lunch but we are asking if people would please RSVP so we can make sure we have enough for all to enjoy. Please contact Jim Magann at jimmagann@gmail.com to RSVP how many will be attending. See everyone then.

Graduates 2023

Do you have a child graduating high school or even college? If so, Salem UMC would like to recognize them on **Sunday, May 28** at the 10:30 service. Please contact the church office at smethodist@aol.com and let us know the graduate's name as you would like it printed, as well as what school they are graduating from as well as if graduating high school, where they will attend next. Please let us know this information no later than Monday, May 15.

Church on the Lake

Our Church on the Lake service will begin this year on **June 4th and run through September 3rd**. We are thankful to offer this 8:30 am service each Summer in addition to our 10:30 regular worship opportunity. The service will be at the Woodmen of the World location at 2000 Johnson Marina Rd., in Ballentine.

If you would be interested in helping set up and break down each week or want to help in other areas, please contact Phillip Fore at 920-9657.

Consider joining us for this casual alternative worship hour. We look forward to seeing you this Summer!

Thank you!

Thank you to all who assisted in the Salem UMC Epworth Project. Thank you for those who gave financial assistance, those who provided meals for the workers, and especially all who gave of their time over the past week. Everyone worked so hard and so well that we were able to finish the project early. There are still a few things to do when items come in but overall the project was a huge success. A very special thank you to all the members of the local company, Trusslink, who came the first day to join us and got the whole project off to a fantastic start. Please be on the lookout for more projects coming up, such as Ecuador next spring, as well as more Epworth Projects. Thank you again to everyone for everything.

Missions Committee.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Sunday, May 7	
9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
10:30 A.M.	Morning Worship
11:30 A.M.	UMWF Executive Committee Mtg
4:00 P.M.	Children
5:00 P.M.	Youth
6:00 P.M.	UMC Meeting
Monday, May 8	
6:00 P.M.	Girl Scouts
Tuesday, May 9	
7:00 P.M.	AA Meeting
Wednesday, May 10	
7:00 A.M.	AA Meeting
7:00 P.M.	Choir Practice
Thursday, May 11	
7:00 P.M.	AA Meeting
Saturday, May 13	
7:00 P.M.	AA Meeting
Sunday, May 14	
9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
10:30 A.M.	Morning Worship
4:00 P.M.	Children
5:00 P.M.	Youth

Sharing God's Love

Urgent Pantry Needs: Oatmeal, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Spaghetti Noodles, Pasta Sauce, Pasta Dinners, Rice Dinners, Lunch Combos (SpaghettiOs, Ravioli, etc.), Chili, Pork & Beans, Canned Beans, Dry Beans, Crackers (Ritz or Saltines), Snacks, Powdered Milk, Macaroni & Cheese, Jello, Elbow/ Shells/ Penne Pasta, Tomato Sauce/ Tomato Paste, Canned Tomatoes, Chef Boyardee Lunches, Beanie Weenies, Chicken & Dumplings, Stew, Instant Potatoes, Instant Grits, Canned Fruit, Coffee, Tea and Fruit Drinks.

Drop off containers are located in each Sunday School Room, Church Office lobby and in the hallway next to the Fellowship Hall entrance.

93 items were delivered to Sharing God's Love on April 18th.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
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OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Jeff Childress — Pastor
William Byrd — Pianist
P. J. Garrett — Director of Children's Ministries
Sarah E. High — Director of Music
Angie Lain — Business/Finance Manager
Miriam Y. Lovett — Organist
Jim Magann — Coordinator of Children/Youth Ministries
Tina Overton — Director of Creative Ministries
Dustin Tanner — Audio/Visual/Communications Director
Marie Wicker — Administrative Assistant

E-Giving

Please prayerfully consider giving to Salem United Methodist Church through our e-Giving program. Scan the QR code below to be taken to Salem's donation page to present your offering.



You can also visit the link:

<https://giving.ncsservices.org/App/Giving/ncs-2365>